



Santa Clara Valley Water District

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BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT:

Facilitated Board Strategic Priorities Discussion.

RECOMMENDATION:

- A. Review the proposed framework for Board Priorities and Strategic Directions;
- B. Discuss and prioritize the Issues and Challenges and corresponding Strategies and Opportunities; and
- C. Identify the Board's Objectives and Priorities for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

SUMMARY:

This facilitated discussion will provide an opportunity for the full board to review and accept the recommended framework (Attachment 1) for setting priorities and strategic direction for the District.

This is an opportunity to also affirm its current and expressed goals, test them through a discussion of the issues and challenges to achieving the goals that the Board has set, and ensure the corresponding strategies and opportunities are identified and funded.

Further, the Board will identify which strategies will be a priority for the upcoming fiscal year. The discussion will provide an opportunity for the Board to add, delete, or change any elements of the framework or content of the framework.

Background

Since December 2015, two facilitated Board discussions have been held to identify priorities and themes of importance to individual Board members and the Board.

In January 2016, the Board assigned the Board's Policy and Planning Committee (Committee) to come up with a recommended framework to assist the Board in setting priorities and strategic direction.

In developing the framework, the Committee borrowed from existing language and efforts that the

Board is already undertaking to organize the mission and goals of the district into four key areas which are Water Supply, Flood Protection, Environmental Stewardship, and Business Management.

The proposed framework is recommended as a tool for the Board to discuss issues and challenges, review what existing strategies they have directed staff to take and determine if any changes are needed to those strategies. Once the strategies have been identified, the Board can then set priorities on those strategies for the coming fiscal year.

The Board can determine appropriate next steps, related to this process, during the facilitated discussion.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The financial impact of the priorities and strategic directions developed in this agenda item will be determined during the development of the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 budget.

CEQA:

The recommended action does not constitute a project under CEQA because it does not have a potential for resulting in direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Board Priorities and Strategic Directions Framework

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